

**Peanut, Irrigated, Strip Tillage
4-Row Combine, 6-Row Equipment
South Georgia, 2011**

Estimated Costs and Returns

Expected Yield: **2.0** Ton Yield on your farm: _____

Variable Costs	Unit	Amount	\$/Unit	Cost/Acre	\$/Ton	Your Farm
Seed	pound	130	\$ 0.75	\$ 97.50	\$ 48.75	_____
Inoculant	pound	5	\$ 1.40	\$ 7.00	\$ 3.50	_____
Cover Crop Seed	bushel	1.5	\$ 16.50	\$ 24.75	\$ 12.38	_____
Lime/Gypsum ^a	ton	0.5	\$ 98.50	\$ 49.25	\$ 24.63	_____
Fertilizer						
<i>Phosphate</i>	pound	0	\$ 0.45	\$ -	\$ -	_____
<i>Potash</i>	pound	0	\$ 0.50	\$ -	\$ -	_____
<i>Boron</i>	pound	0.5	\$ 6.25	\$ 3.13	\$ 1.56	_____
Weed Control	acre	1	\$ 55.20	\$ 55.20	\$ 27.60	_____
Insect Control	acre	1	\$ 54.50	\$ 54.50	\$ 27.25	_____
Disease Control ^b	acre	1	\$ 83.45	\$ 83.45	\$ 41.73	_____
Preharvest Machinery						
<i>Fuel</i>	gallon	5.2	\$ 2.85	\$ 14.84	\$ 7.42	_____
<i>Repairs and Maintenance</i>	acre	1	\$ 9.05	\$ 9.05	\$ 4.53	_____
Harvest Machinery						
<i>Fuel</i>	gallon	12.0	\$ 2.85	\$ 34.29	\$ 17.15	_____
<i>Repairs and Maintenance</i>	acre	1	\$ 26.56	\$ 26.56	\$ 13.28	_____
Labor	hour	2.6	\$ 11.25	\$ 28.88	\$ 14.44	_____
Irrigation ^c	acre	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	_____
Crop Insurance ^d	acre	1	\$ 27.50	\$ 27.50	\$ 13.75	_____
Land Rent	acre	1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	_____
Interest on Operating Capital	percent	\$282.95	6.5%	\$ 18.39	\$ 9.20	_____
Cleaning	ton	0.7	\$ 12.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 4.00	_____
Drying	ton	1.3	\$ 30.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 20.00	_____
GPC & GPPA State	ton	2.0	\$ 3.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 3.00	_____
NPB Checkoff	dollars	\$ 0.01	710	\$ 7.10	\$ 3.55	_____
Total Variable Costs:				\$ 645.39	\$ 322.70	
Fixed Costs						
Machinery Depreciation, Taxes, Insurance and Housing						
<i>Preharvest Machinery</i>	acre	1	\$ 24.40	\$ 24.40	\$ 12.20	_____
<i>Harvest Machinery</i>	acre	1	\$ 82.93	\$ 82.93	\$ 41.47	_____
<i>Irrigation</i> ^c	acre	1	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00	_____
General Overhead	% of VC	\$645.39	5%	\$ 32.27	\$ 16.13	_____
Management	% of VC	\$645.39	5%	\$ 32.27	\$ 16.13	_____
Owned Land Cost, Taxes, Cash Payment, etc.	acre	1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	_____
Other _____	acre	1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	_____
Total Fixed Costs				\$ 281.87	\$ 140.94	
Total Costs Excluding Land				\$ 927.26	\$ 463.63	
Your Profit Goal				\$ _____	/Ton	
Price Needed for Profit				\$ _____	/Ton	

^a Lime/gypsum application is prorated at 0.5 ton to equal 1.5 ton application every 3 years.

^b If soilborne disease threatens to be severe, additional application of soilborne fungicide may be recommended, add \$15-20/spray. If leafspot threatens to be severe, additional application of chlorothalonil may be recommended at 3/4 pint (\$3-5/ac). A nematicide (where needed) = \$50-75/ac.

^c Average of diesel and electric irrigation application costs. Electric is estimated at \$7/appl and diesel is estimated at \$13/appl when diesel costs \$2.85/gal.

^d Assumes Yield Protection at 70% coverage. Revenue Protection at 70% coverage adds \$4-9/ac.

Sensitivity Analysis of Peanut, Irrigated, Strip Tillage

Net Returns Above Variable Costs Per Acre						
Varying Prices and Yields (Ton)						
		-25%	-10%	Expected	+10%	+25%
Pounds/Acre		3,000	3,600	4,000	4,400	5,000
Price \	Ton/Acre	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.5
\$375		-\$82.89	\$29.61	\$104.61	\$179.61	\$292.11
\$400		-\$45.39	\$74.61	\$154.61	\$234.61	\$354.61
\$425		-\$7.89	\$119.61	\$204.61	\$289.61	\$417.11
\$450		\$29.61	\$164.61	\$254.61	\$344.61	\$479.61
\$475		\$67.11	\$209.61	\$304.61	\$399.61	\$542.11

Estimated Labor and Machinery Costs per Acre

Preharvest Operations

Operation	Acres/ Hour	Number of Times Over	Labor Use ^e (hrs/ac)	Fuel Use (gal/ac)	Repairs (\$/ac)	Fixed Costs (\$/ac)
Grain Drill 15' with Tractor (120-139 hp) 2WD 130	8.0	1	0.16	0.84	\$ 1.79	\$ 5.00
Spray (Broadcast) 60' with Tractor (120-139 hp) 2WD 130	35.5	1	0.04	0.19	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.71
Subsoiler low-till 6 shank with Tractor (180-199 hp) MFWD 190	9.8	1	0.13	1.00	\$ 1.44	\$ 4.59
Plant & Pre-Rigid 6R-36 with Tractor (180-199 hp) MFWD 190	8.9	1	0.14	1.10	\$ 2.23	\$ 6.26
Spray (Broadcast) 60' with Tractor (120-139 hp) 2WD 130	35.5	11	0.39	2.08	\$ 3.29	\$ 7.84
Total Preharvest Values			0.85	5.21	\$ 9.05	\$ 24.40

Harvest Operations

Operation	Acres/ Hour	Number of Times Over	Labor Use ^e (hrs/ac)	Fuel Use (gal/ac)	Repairs (\$/ac)	Fixed Costs (\$/ac)
Peanut Dig/Inverter 4R-36 with Tractor (180-199 hp) MFWD 190	2.2	1	0.57	4.48	\$ 6.56	\$ 16.13
Pull-type Peanut Combine 4R-36 with Tractor (180-199 hp) MFWD 190	2.2	1	0.57	4.48	\$ 16.04	\$ 56.27
Peanut Wagon 21' with Tractor (120-139 hp) 2WD 130	2.2	1	0.57	3.07	\$ 3.95	\$ 10.53
Total Harvest Values			1.72	12.03	\$ 26.56	\$ 82.93

^e Includes unallocated labor factor of 0.25. Unallocated labor factor is percentage allowance for additional labor required to move equipment and hook/unhook implements, etc.

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